

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) AND  
RESPONSE TO BOARD DECISION DATED SEPTEMBER 28, 2010**

Sir:

In response to the Decision on Appeal by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences dated September 28, 2010 ("Board Decision"), please consider the following remarks regarding the above-identified patent application.

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